

REMARKS

This is a full and timely response to the outstanding final Office Action mailed November 21, 2007. Reconsideration and allowance of the application and pending claims are respectfully requested.

I. Claim Rejections - 35 U.S.C. § 112, Second Paragraph

Claims 1-28 have been rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph, as being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which the Applicant regards as the invention. In particular, the claims are rejected for containing the limitation: "no input from a user" is used.

In response to the rejections, Applicant has canceled the above limitation from the claims. In view of those amendments, it is respectfully submitted that the claims define the invention in the manner required by 35 U.S.C. § 112. Accordingly, Applicant respectfully requests that the rejections to the claims be withdrawn.

II. Claim Rejections - 35 U.S.C. § 103(a)

A. Rejection of Claims 1, 2, 4-9, 11-15, 17, 19-23, 25, 27, and 28

Claims 1, 2, 4-9, 11-15, 17, 19-23, 25, 27, and 28 have been rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over *Stancil, et al.* ("Stancil," U.S. Pat. No. 6,065,081) in view of *Mooney, et al.* ("Mooney," U.S. Pat. No. 5,515,440).

As indicated above, independent claims 1 and 13 have been amended through this Response. In view of those amendments, Applicant respectfully submits that the rejections to the remaining claims are moot.

Turning to the merits of the claims, Applicant notes that neither Stancil nor Mooney teaches or suggests a computer having a card detector configured to detect the presence of a modem card when the modem card is inserted into a card slot of the computer and a card power switch configured to supply power to the modem card only when authorization has been received from a remote network administrator device to use the modem card.

B. Rejection of Claims 3, 10, 16, 18, 24, and 26

Claims 3, 10, 16, 18, 24, and 26 have been rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over *Stancil* in view of *Mooney* and further in view of *Morrow* (U.S. Pub. No. 2004/0156151). Applicant respectfully traverses the rejection.

As identified above, Stancil and Mooney do not teach aspects of Applicant's claims. In that Morrow does not remedy the deficiencies of the Stancil and Mooney references, Applicant respectfully submits that claims 3, 10, 16, and 18 are allowable over the Stancil/Mooney/Morrow combination for at least the same reasons that claims 1 and 13 are allowable over Stancil/Mooney.

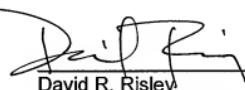
III. Canceled Claims

Claims 2, 6, 7, 19, and 21-28 have been canceled from the application without prejudice, waiver, or disclaimer. Applicant reserves the right to present these canceled claims, or variants thereof, in continuing applications to be filed subsequently.

CONCLUSION

Applicant respectfully submits that Applicant's pending claims are in condition for allowance. Favorable reconsideration and allowance of the present application and all pending claims are hereby courteously requested. If, in the opinion of the Examiner, a telephonic conference would expedite the examination of this matter, the Examiner is invited to call the undersigned attorney at (770) 933-9500.

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